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UNCLAS. FEBRUARY 17. FOR IOP/M. MONDAY AFTERNOON PAPER DIARIO LATINO BANNERED "KISSINGER BEGINS LATIN AMERICAN VISIT" WITH UPI JUMP-PAGE COVERAGE WHICH OUTLINED BASIC PURPOSES OF HIS TRIP. OTHER AFTERNOON PAPER EL MUNDO GAVE PROMINENT INTERIOR PAGE COVERAGE BASED UPON UPI AND AP REPORTS.

THIS MORNING'S LA PRENSA GRAFICA (HIGHEST CIRCULATION DAILY) CARRIED INTERIOR PAGE UPI ITEM HEADED "SEVERE SECURITY MEASURES FOR KISSINGER IN CARACAS." THIS ITEM ALSO MENTIONED STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS AND POLICE TEAR GAS MEASURES, BUT REPORTED NO SERIOUS INCIDENTS. LA PRENSA GRAFICA AND EL DIARIO DE HOY ALSO PRINTED OTHER UPI STORIES HEADED "WARM RECEPTION FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER IN CARACAS." EL DIARIO DE HOY ALSO PRINTED INTERIOR PAGE UPI STORY REPORTING THAT "RED STUDENTS" IN PERU ARE OPPOSED TO THE SECRETARY'S VISIT AND THAT TWO PERUVIAN LABOR UNIONS HAD ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE STATING THAT THEY REPUDIATE THE PRESENCE, IN OUR OPPRESSED COUNTRY, OF SECRETARY KISSINGER, MESSENGER OF AMERICAN IMPERIALISM".

SMALL CIRCULATION, GENERALLY LEFTIST LA CRONICA, GAVE STRAIGHT UPI COVERAGE OF KISSINGER'S VISIT AND REPORTE ECONOMICO (CONSERVATIVE SEMI-WEEKLY) PRINTED ENTIRE TEXT GALVAN PRE-TRIP ITEM HEADED "MR. KISSINGER'S TRIP TO LATIN AMERICA - CUBAN INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA AND IN LATIN AMERICA."

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